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In re Application of: Hiroshi TAKAGI; Kentario TAKEMAE

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MARK UP TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
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Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants wish to amend the above-identified
application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 4-6 as follows: